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FORWARD UNITED !

Tonbridge Again. This is the third match against Tonbridge in a fortnight. This afternoon Premier Division points are at stake. United will be particularly anxious to do well, as the "Angels" brought us down to earth with a real bang when winning 6-1 on their own ground in the Southern League Cup last Monday week. This defeat followed our two home successes in the league against Margate and Wisbech which had created a very favourable impression among supporters. Such are the rapidly changing fortunes of football.

Tough Start. Newly-promoted Tonbridge have had a tough start on their return to the Premier Division but did very well to take three points from Cambridge City and Chelmsford before losing by the odd goal to Guildford City, the leaders. Last Saturday the "Angels" won their F.A. Cup local derby at Tunbridge Wells by 3-1. They look all set for a good season and we already have a clear indication of the big task facing us this afternoon.

Tonbridge have made only two main signings during the summer : Bobby Taylor, inside forward from Dartford, and Alan Jones, centre forward from Dover.

Bright Colts. Our Reserves have been disappointing in their recent games but the Colts have brightened the picture. At Luton last Saturday little Tommy Hake was again among the goals. He scored two and Brian Carnaby got the other in our 3-2 success. Meanwhile, our second colts side, the "Babes", were getting off the mark in their opening match in the new junior division of the S.E. Counties League. They beat Leyton Orient 5-4 in a real thriller. Stan Howe, who did trainer's duty with them for the match, was quite limp with the excitement and was also quite hoarse from shouting them on ! Nearly all these lads are only 15 years old. It was their first game together in the new division and at half-time they were 2-0 down. Charlie Vaughan had to leave them then to go off to Sittingbourne and later he was expecting to hear of a heavy defeat. But the Babes confounded him; they kept going the whole 90 minutes with tremendous spirit and their 5-4 triumph was certainly hard earned.

London Challenge Cup. United have been drawn at home to new opponents, Kingstonian, in the first round of the London Challenge Cup, on Monday, October 5th (5.0).

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Season 1964-65

(Home matches kick-off at 3.0 p.m. except where indicated.)

SOUTHERN LEAGUE

Premier Division

			F	A	Att.
August					
S. 22	Dartford	A	1	3	2060
W. 26	**Margate 6.30**	**H**	4	1	1309
S. 29	**Wisbech Town**	**H**	4	0	1703
September					
S. 12	**Tonbridge**	**H**			
M. 14	Margate	A			
Tu. 22	Rugby Town	A			
S. 26	**Bedford Town**	**H**			
October					
S. 3	Chelmsford City	A			
S. 10	**Folkestone Town**	**H**			
S. 17	Worcester City	A			
S. 24	**Cambridge United**	**H**			
S. 31	Cheltenham Town	A			
November					
S. 7	**Nuneaton Borough**	**H**			
S. 14	Weymouth	A			
S. 21	**Hastings Utd. 2.45**	**H**			
S. 28	Romford	A			
December					
S. 5	**King's Lynn 2.30**	**H**			
S. 12	**Dartford 2.15**	**H**			
S. 19	Wisbech Town	A			
S. 26	**Wellington Town 2.15**	**H**			
M. 28	Wellington Town	A			
January					
S. 2	**Rugby Town 2.30**	**H**			
S. 9	**Guildford City 2.45**	**H**			
S. 16	Tonbridge	A			
S. 23	**Yeovil Town**	**H**			
S. 30	Guildford City	A			
February					
S. 6	Bedford Town	A			
S. 13	**Chelmsford City**	**H**			
S. 27	**Worcester City**	**H**			
March					
S. 6	Cambridge United	A			
S. 13	**Cheltenham Town**	**H**			
S. 20	Nuneaton Borough	A			
S. 27	**Weymouth**	**H**			
April					
S. 3	Hastings Utd.	A			
M. 5	Bath City	A			
S. 10	**Romford**	**H**			
F. 16	Cambridge City	A			
S. 17	King's Lynn	A			
M. 19	**Cambridge City**	**H**			
S. 24	**Bath City**	**H**			
To be arranged :					
	Folkestone Town	A			
	Yeovil Town	A			

SOUTHERN LEAGUE CUP

			F	A	Att.
August					
M. 31	Tonbridge	A	1	6	
September					
M. 7	**Tonbridge 6.0**	**H**	0	0	
October					
	(Second Round)				
November					
	(Third Round)				

F.A. CUP

September					
S. 5	Sittingbourne	A	3	0	940
S. 19	Sutton United	A			
October					
S. 3	(3rd Qual. Round)				
S. 17	(4th Qual. Round)				
November					
S. 14	(1st Round Proper)				
December					
S. 5	(2nd Round Proper)				

LONDON CHALLENGE CUP

October		
M. 5	**Kingstonian 5.0**	**H**
M. 19	(Second Round)	
November		
M. 2	(Semi-Finals)	
M. 16	(Final)	

KENT SENIOR CUP

February		
S. 20	(Second Round)	
March		
S. 13	(Third Round)	
April		
S. 3	(Semi-Finals)	

KENT SENIOR SHIELD

September		
M. 28	Dartford	A
October		
	(Semi-Finals)	

FRIENDLY MATCHES

August					
Tu. 18	Gravesend & N.	A	3	2	
April					
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		Total	1964-65	1963-64	1962-63	1961-62	1960-61	1959-60	1958-59	1957-58	1956-57	1955-56	1954-55
TERRY GILL	...	**380**	6	53	38	44	53	49	41	39	33	22	2
GERRY MORGAN	...	**309**	6	56	52	48	57	57	31	—	2	—	—
BRIAN TAYLOR	...	**303**	—	58	43	40	50	46	34	31	—	—	—
BRIAN KELLY	...	**258**	4	57	47	43	58	49	—	—	—	—	—
DAVID PETERS	...	**215**	5	50	47	44	46	21	2	—	—	—	—
STAN HOWE	...	**206**	—	44	31	41	54	36	—	—	—	—	—
ALAN McDONALD	...	**133**	—	47	34	25	16	10	1	—	—	—	—
RODNEY SHARP	...	**109**	6	48	39	16	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
HARRY HUGHES	...	**83**	5	60	18	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ALAN LILLIS	...	**47**	4	35	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
CHARLIE FORWELL	...	**43**	6	32	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Outstanding Past Records: Roy Johnson (1955-64) **414**; Colin Saunders (1955-62) **369**; Tommy Nekrews (1959-64) **230**.

(For goal scoring records see page 11)

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	LEAGUE CHAMPIONS	CUP WINNERS
1954-55	Yeovil Town	Yeovil Town
1955-56	Guildford City	Gloucester City
1956-57	Kettering Town	Hereford United
1957-58	Gravesend & N.	Cheltenham Town
1958-59	Bedford Town	Hereford United
1959-60	Bath City	Chelmsford City
1960-61	Oxford United	Yeovil Town
1961-62	Oxford United	Cambridge United
1962-63	Cambridge City	Guildford City
1963-64	Yeovil Town	Burton Albion

HOME AND AWAY

Success at Sittingbourne. We have had many tough battles with Sittingbourne in past seasons but the atmosphere so often present in the past was largely missing when we beat them 3-0 in Saturday's F.A. Cup tie. Sittingbourne are going through a time of rebuilding. They have a cash shortage and their present side contains several young amateurs, among them our former colt Arthur Rayner.

Nevertheless, Sittingbourne started in spirited fashion with Arthur Rayner proving quite a handful for Ken Pearce. Once our attack began to get going it was clear to see that United were the more skilful side. We made many splendid openings but by half-time had only a single goal to show for it. This was a real beauty by Tony Gregory, a rasping shot from a difficult angle.

After 12 minutes of the second half Rodney Sharp increased our lead but Sittingbourne were still giving us some trouble in breakaways and the issue was not finally settled until another fine goal, this time a long range lob, from Tony Gregory a couple of minutes from the end.

The Next Task. We were a little premature in a previous programme in mentioning that we could be meeting Dartford in the next round. In fact, we have to visit Sutton United, a tie which brings back memories of the shock defeat they handed out at Welling in the final qualifying round in 1960. Sutton have made a good start to the present season and last Saturday they knocked out Erith & Belvedere by 4-0 in the previous round.

Dartford are in our group and we **could** meet them if—and it's a big if—we beat Sutton United and they dispose of Chatham. In the previous round Dartford accounted for Cray Wanderers by 5-0.

Welcome, Ken Pearce. We have not yet had an opportunity of saying much about the last of United's summer signings, Ken Pearce. Ken has quickly won promotion to the first team and has been playing very well at centre-half. He lives at Shooters Hill and turned professional with Charlton after showing much promise with their colts. He then left the Valley to train for three years in Physical education and now teaches P.T. at a school at East Ham. Ken, incidentally, is a former national schoolboy boxing champion.

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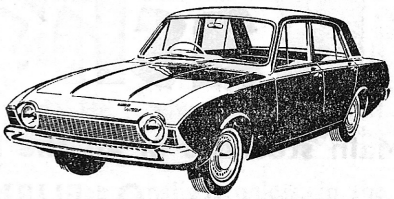

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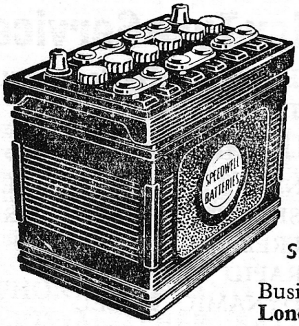

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A player in an off-side position shall not be penalised unless, in the opinion of the referee, he is interfering with the play or with an opponent, or is seeking to gain an advantage by being in an off-side position.

(Extract from the Laws of the Game.)

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LATEST LEAGUE TABLES

SOUTHERN LEAGUE

up to and including Sat., September, 5th

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Guildford	3	3	0	0	13	5	6
Margate	4	3	0	1	8	4	6
Cheltenham T.	3	2	1	0	6	2	5
Chelmsford City	4	2	1	1	12	9	5
Bexley United	**3**	**2**	**0**	**1**	**9**	**4**	**4**
Weymouth	3	2	0	1	6	3	4
Worcester City	3	1	2	0	6	3	4
Yeovil Town	3	1	2	0	9	5	4
Dartford	3	2	0	1	6	4	4
Bath City	4	2	0	2	7	5	4
Romford	4	2	0	2	5	8	4
Tonbridge	3	1	1	1	8	6	3
Hastings United	3	0	3	0	4	4	3
Folkestone Town	3	1	1	1	6	7	3
Cambridge City	3	1	1	1	6	8	3
Bedford Town	3	1	1	1	5	7	3
Wellington Town	3	1	0	2	4	6	2
Wisbech Town	3	1	0	2	3	8	2
King's Lynn	4	0	2	2	5	10	2
Cambridge U.	4	0	1	3	5	11	1
Rugby Town	3	0	0	3	5	12	0
Nuneaton Boro.	3	0	0	3	2	9	0

METROPOLITAN LEAGUE

Up to and including Sat., September 5th

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Tottenham H.	4	4	0	0	7	0	8
West Ham Utd.	5	4	0	1	13	6	8
Wimbledon	5	4	0	1	10	6	8
Chatham Town	4	3	1	0	11	7	7
Bury Town	3	3	0	0	7	3	6
Arsenal	5	2	2	1	11	6	6
Woodford Town	4	2	2	0	7	4	6
Stevenage Town	5	2	1	2	12	12	5
Guildford City	4	2	0	2	7	6	4
Romford	5	2	0	3	16	17	4
Dunstable Town	4	2	0	2	7	8	4
Chelmsford City	5	2	0	3	9	10	4
Gillingham	4	1	1	2	13	8	3
Met. Police	3	1	1	1	3	4	3
Dartford	4	1	1	2	9	13	3
St. Neots Town	4	1	1	2	5	11	3
Bexley United	**5**	**1**	**1**	**3**	**5**	**12**	**3**
Bedford Town	4	1	0	3	8	9	2
Luton Town	5	0	2	3	6	15	2
Chertsey Town	3	0	1	2	7	9	1
Charlton Athletic	3	0	1	2	1	3	1
Cambridge City	4	0	1	3	2	7	0

LEADING CLUB GOAL-SCORERS

League and Cup matches. Up to and including Monday, September 7th)

FIRST TEAM

Tony Gregory	4
Terry Gill	2
David Peters	2
Rodney Sharp	2
Harry Hughes	1
Gerry Morgan	1

RESERVES

Graham Sawyer	3
Tony Kavanagh	1
John Scott Thomson	1
Dick Wheeler	1

COLTS

Tommy Hake	4
Michael Burdett	1
Brian Carnaby	1
Brian Wakerill	1

Record Grand Totals (First team) : Roy Johnson **248**, Terry Gill **244**, Brian Kelly **75**. (Charlie Vaughan's total when he gave up playing in 1961 was **136**.)

DAILY DRAW COMPETITION

The draw for the Daily Competition is normally made on each day in the Club Room at the Welling Ground at 1.0 p.m. At every home match, however, the draw will be made in the centre of the pitch during the half-time interval. Tickets will be obtainable from sellers at the ground.

METROPOLITAN LEAGUE PROGRAMME

Season 1964-65

(Home matches kick-off at 3.0 p.m., except where indicated.)

			F	A
August				
S.	**22**	**Chertsey Town**	**H**	3 3
W.	26	Dartford	A	2 0
S.	29	St. Neots Town	A	1 4
September				
W.	**2**	**Wimbledon 6.15**	**H**	0 2
S.	**5**	**Tottenham H.**	**H**	0 3
W.	**9**	**Dartford 6.0**	**H**	
S.	12	Arsenal	A	
M.	**14**	**Charlton Ath. 5.45**	**H**	
S.	**19**	**Stevenage Town**	**H**	
M.	21	Gillingham	A	
October				
Th.	1	Chatham Town	A	
S.	**3**	**Chelmsford City**	**H**	
S.	**17**	**West Ham United**	**H**	
S.	24	Dunstable Town	A	
S.	**31**	**Luton Town**	**H**	
November				
S.	7	Stevenage Town	A	
S.	**14**	**Gillingham**	**H**	
S.	21	Chertsey Town	A	
S.	**28**	**Romford**	**H**	
December				
S.	5	Luton Town	A	
S.	12	Wimbledon	A	
S.	**19**	**Metropolitan Police**	**H**	
M.	**28**	**Arsenal**	**H**	
January				
S.	2	Bury Town	A	
S.	9	Guildford City	A	
S.	**16**	**Bury Town**	**H**	
S.	23	Bedford Town	A	
S.	**30**	**Guildford City**	**H**	

			F	A
February				
S.	**6**	**Bedford Town**	**H**	
S.	13	Chelmsford City	A	
S.	**20**	**St. Neots Town**	**H**	
W.	24	West Ham United	A	
March				
S.	**6**	**Dunstable Town**	**H**	
S.	13	Metropolitan Police	A	
W.	17	Charlton Athletic	A	
April				
S.	**3**	**Woodford Town**	**H**	
Th.	8	Woodford Town	A	
S.	10	Romford	A	
F.	**16**	**Cambridge City**	**H**	
S.	**17**	**Chatham Town**	**H**	
M.	19	Cambridge City	A	
S.	24	Tottenham H.	A	

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(BBC Home Service, 6.30 p.m. approx.)

THIS AFTERNOON'S SOUTHERN LEAGUE MATCHES

PREMIER DIVISION		FIRST DIVISION	
Bexley Utd.	**Tonbridge**	Ashford T.	Burton Alb. .....
Cambridge C.	Chelmsford C.	Barry T.	Stevenage T. ....
Cheltenham T.	Cambridge Utd. ..	Crawley T.	Sittingbourne .....
Dartford	Rugby T.	Dover	Hillingdon B. .....
Guildford C.	Bedford T.	Hereford Utd.	Hinckley Ath. .....
Hastings Utd.	Margate	Kettering T.	Gravesend & N. ...
King's Lynn	Wisbech T.	Merthyr Tydfil	Deal Town .....
Nuneaton B.	Worcester C.	Poole Town	Gloucester C. .....
Romford	Bath City	Ramsgate Ath.	Wimbledon .....
Wellington T.	Yeovil Town	Trowbridge T.	Corby Town .....
Weymouth	Folkestone T.	Tun. Wells	Canterbury C. .....

SHORT PASSES

The return Southern League Cup clash here on Monday night proved a close, hard fought encounter but produced no goals. The top 32 clubs from this stage go forward to the next round, future rounds being decided on a straight knock-out basis. It is very doubtful whether the single point we earned from the games against Tonbridge will be sufficient to carry us through. At the time of writing some of the other second-leg games had still to be decided.

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Alan Rutherford stepped up to the first team for Monday's game. Alan was needed because Alan Lillis was still unfit and Brian Kelly was needed to take the place of the injured David Peters on the right wing. We hope that our casualties will be fit to return to action for today's league game.

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A copy of the new season's club handbook is being issued with the compliments of the club to every supporter. Distribution is being handled by our Supporters' Association. If you did not receive your copy at the game on Monday, you can get it today at the supporters' huts—as long as the supply lasts.

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Sutton United, our F.A. Cup opponents next Saturday, are spending their first season in the Isthmian League. They were previously in the Athenian League but have now advanced to what is generally regarded as the top competition in amateur soccer. "A tricky tie" is the assessment by Charlie Vaughan of United's assignment. In their first game in their new league Sutton beat Walthamstow Avenue 5-2.

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Mike Howard, who played a number of games for our Reserves last season, equalised for Chatham against Bromley in last Saturday's F.A. Cup tie and Chatham went on to gain a suprising but deserved 3-1 win. They now meet Dartford next Saturday in the other tie in our group of the qualifying competition.

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Also with Chatham this season is Jack Lillis, younger brother of Alan Lillis. Alan tells us that Jack is shaping well for Chatham Reserves.

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S.E. COUNTIES LEAGUE

		F	A
August			
22 B'tford	**H**	3	2
29 L. Or.	**H**	1	5
September			
5 Luton	A	3	2
12 Br'ton	**H**		
19 Q.P.R.	**H**		
October			
3 W'ford	A		
10 W. Ham	**H**		
17 Chelsea	A		
24 Fulham	**H**		
31 Ch'lton	A		

Junior Division

		F	A
L. Orient	**H**	5	4
Millwal	**H**		
L. Orient	A		
Chelsea	**H**		
Charlton	**H**		
Chelsea	A		
C. Palace	A		

LEAGUE CUP

September
26 Arsenal A

S. JNR. FLOODLIT CUP

October
Luton Town A

CHALLENGE MATCH

August
15 West Ham United A 0 0

(Home matches at Bexley Hospital, 11.0)

S.E. COUNTIES TABLE

Up to and including Sat., September 5th

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
West Ham	3	3	—	—	9	2	6
Arsenal	3	2	1	—	10	3	5
Chelsea	3	2	—	1	20	11	4
Watford	3	2	—	1	8	5	4
Queen's Pk. Rgs.	3	2	—	1	9	6	4
Leyton Orient	3	2	—	1	10	9	4
Bexley United	**3**	**2**	**—**	**1**	**7**	**9**	**4**
Tottenham	3	1	1	1	11	8	3
Millwall	3	1	1	1	10	11	3
Brighton	3	1	1	1	5	6	3
Brentford	3	1	—	2	11	9	2
Charlton	3	1	—	2	7	10	2
Portsmouth	3	1	—	2	5	8	2
Fulham	3	1	—	2	4	8	2
Luton Town.	3	—	—	3	19	—	—
Crystal Palace	3	—	—	3	1	8	—

JUNIOR DIVISION

Up to and including Sat., September 5th

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Queen's Pk. Rgs.	1	1	—	—	3	1	2
Tottenham	1	1	—	—	5	2	2
Chelsea	1	1	—	—	3	2	2
Bexley United	**1**	**1**	**—**	**—**	**5**	**4**	**2**
Leyton Orient	1	—	—	1	4	5	—
Charlton Ath.	1	—	—	1	2	3	—
Watford	1	—	—	1	1	3	—
Crystal Palace	1	—	—	1	2	5	—

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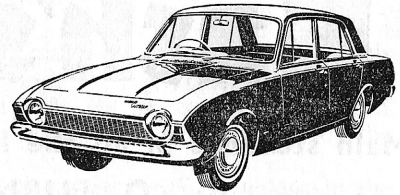

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